

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of)
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and Dr. Jason Murphy)
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**SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NONCOMPLIANT
AMENDMENT
(37 CFR 1.121)**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 25 January 2007, consideration of the following remarks is solicited.

The undersigned Attorney certifies
that this Document has been filed
via fax to 571-273-8300 Central Fax
of the USPTO on 25 February 2007 (37
CFR 1.10).

Applicants' Attorney herein responds to the above Notice with this Substitute Amendment which corrects the Amendments to the Claims and also, for convenience, repeats the Remarks of the prior unentered amendment.

No additional fee is believed due as there are presented no additions to the total number of claims (25); [20 as presented in the original filing and 5 additional paid for on November 13, 2006.]

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